

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1796  
PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Kei TASHIRO et al. )  
Application No.: 10/591,231 ) Group Art Unit: 1796  
Filed: August 31, 2006 )  
For: NOVEL POLYMER COMPOUNDS ) Examiner: David J. Buttner  
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**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 19, 2010, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims on pages 2-4 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.